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1. Introduction

RECON Deliverable No. 88 – *Workshop on parliamentary representation* is part of work package 3 – Representation and Institutional Make-Up. The aim of WP 3 is to assess the status of democracy in Europe, with emphasis on (a) clarifying the nature of the challenges facing systems of representation at the national and supranational levels in Europe; (b) analyzing interactions between these levels; (c) establishing the direction of change (towards which of the three RECON models these systems develop); and (d) evaluating the democratic quality of these arrangements. Such an assessment presupposes proper attention to the broader institutional settings within which patterns of representation are entrenched in the European multilevel setting, and WP 3 analyses the contribution of institutional structures of representation – elections, parties and parliaments – to the EU's 'capacity for democracy'.

During months 49-60, the WP would complete its projects and concentrate on exploiting and disseminating the research of the last four years. This would involve a series of initiatives by WP 3 researchers to engage the wider scholarly community in the discussion of preliminary findings, to make data available to other researchers, and to turn the high output of working papers from this work package into peer-reviewed publications.

2. Presentation of the workshop

The Research Committee on Legislative Specialists (RC08) of the International Political Science Association (IPSA), in cooperation with RECON's WP 3, organised the workshop 'Changing Modes of Parliamentary Representation' in Prague on 14–15 October 2011. It was hosted by the Institute of Sociology, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic (ASCR). Zdenka Mansfeldova, team leader for RECON at the ASCR, and RCLS Program Chair, together with Petra Guasti (ASCR) were workshop coordinators.

The purpose of the workshop was to address the current issues in parliamentary research and broaden the research agenda, as well as to discuss final results and theoretical contributions of RECON's WP 3. With its 18 papers and 30 participants from Europe and overseas (US, Brazil, South Korea) the workshop proved to be quite thorough and including both theoretical and empirical papers. The call for paper was launched 10 March 2011 and attracted the attention of researchers from a variety of academic institutions.

The programme was organised around three topics. The first part of the workshop explored the patterns in which the parliaments function within transnational governance in the panel 'Parliaments in the System of Multilevel Governance'. Co-chair of the RCLS, Werner J. Patzelt (University of Dresden) chaired this first panel and Christopher Lord (ARENA, University of Oslo) acted as a discussant on the four papers that were presented. The workshop continued with panels on transforming linkages between democratic legitimacy, representation and accountability. This part included three panels: 'Parliaments in the Processes of Democratization: Reaching New Frontiers', 'Parliaments and Political Parties', and the last panel in this section was a specific panel on RECON, entitled 'RECON – Representation and Institutional Make-up'.

The RECON panel was chaired by Christopher Lord (ARENA, University of Oslo), the leader of WP 3, and contained three papers by RECON researchers. In the first one of these, Lord discussed representative claims making in the European Parliament and presented theoretical and methodological reflections applied to European parliamentary debates. Emmanuel Sigalas (Vienna Institute for Advanced Studies) presented research on the performance and re-election of the Members of the European Parliament. Petra Guasti (ASCR) brought the panel

to an end with her presentation on the Europeanisation of parliaments in Central and Eastern Europe. The discussant at this panel was Buzogány Aron (German Research Institute for Public Administration Speyer).

The final panel on ‘Changing Modes of Democratic Representation’ addressed the interaction between parliaments on the one hand and organised interest groups, civil society organisations and lobbying groups on the other hand. This panel had six paper presentations divided in two subsections, which were chaired by Petra Guasti and Zdenka Mansfeldová, and discussed by William Crowther (University of North Carolina, Greensboro) and Werner Patzelt.

The papers presented in the five panels ranged from purely theoretical topics, to heavily quantitative papers and included both comparative contributions and case studies. In addition to the academic discussion during the workshop, the workshop provided an opportunity to disseminate the research results from RECON to a broader academic audience, students and interested public.

3. List of participants

Jens Borchert	<i>University Frankfurt</i>
Sylvain Brouard	<i>Sciences Po Bordeaux</i>
Sandra Brozova	<i>Charles University</i>
Aron Buzogány	<i>German Research Institute for Public Administration Speyer</i>
William Crowther	<i>University of North Carolina</i>
Mirjam Dageförde	<i>University of Stuttgart</i>
Elisa Deiss-Helbig	<i>Science Po Bordeaux</i>
Michael Edinger	<i>University of Jena</i>
Erik Fritzsche	<i>University of Dresden</i>
Daniela Gawrecka	<i>Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic</i>
Jan Grinc	<i>Charles University Prague</i>
Petra Guasti	<i>Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic</i>
Claudia Huelsken	<i>University Frankfurt</i>
Luc Juillet	<i>Seoul National University</i>
Erik Kerrouche	<i>Science Po Bordeaux</i>
Cicero Krupp da Luz	<i>University of Sao Paulo/Science Po Paris</i>
Christopher Lord	<i>ARENA, University of Oslo</i>
Zdenka Mansfeldova	<i>Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic</i>
Yi Okyeon	<i>Seoul National University</i>
Werner J. Patzelt	<i>University of Dresden</i>
Florian Radbuza	<i>University of Stuttgart</i>
Jana Reschova	<i>Charles University</i>
Danny Schindler	<i>University Halle-Wittenberg</i>
Suzanne S. Schüttelmeyer	<i>University Halle-Wittenberg</i>
Sven T. Siefken	<i>University Halle-Wittenberg</i>
Manos Sigalas	<i>Vienna Institute for Advanced Studies</i>
Astrid Spreitzer	<i>University of Luxembourg</i>
Pavla Vamberova	<i>Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic</i>
David Willumsen	<i>European University Institute</i>

4. Programme

See attachment.

International Workshop
“Changing Modes of Parliamentary Representation”
Organized by IPSA RCLS and RECON WP3,
Prague 14-15 October 2011

Programme

Friday, 14 October 2011

9.30 Official Opening of the Workshop

Werner J. Patzelt, Christopher Lord and Zdenka Mansfeldova

10.00-12.00

Panel I. Parliaments in the System of Multilevel Governance

Chair: Werner J. Patzelt (University of Dresden)

Discussant: Christopher Lord (ARENA, Oslo)

1. Buzogány Aron (German Research Institute for Public Administration Speyer): Structuring the multilevel parliamentary field. Institutional learning and role conceptions in national parliaments.
2. Pigeonnier Anne-Sylvie (University of Luxembourg): The adaptation of the Baltic Parliaments to the EU multilevel governance: the case of Lithuania
3. Spreitzer Astrid (University of Luxembourg): Measuring the Europeanisation of National Parliaments
4. Grinc Jan (Faculty of Law, Charles University Prague): National Parliaments and the EU Directives

12.00-13.30 Lunch break

13.30-15.00

Panel II. Parliaments in the Processes of Democratization: Reaching New Frontiers

Chair: Zdenka Mansfeldová (IS AS CR)

Discussant: Michael Edinger (University of Jena)

1. Crowther William (University of North Carolina, Greensboro): MP Recruitment and Representation: Two Decades of Change in the Republic of Moldova
2. Patzelt J. Werner (TU Dresden): Evolutionary Institutionalism and its application to the legislative institutionalization process in East Germany 20 years ago
3. Cícero Krupp da Luz (University of São Paulo and Sciences Po Paris): The Parliamentary Diplomacy Role in the European Parliament and the MERCOSUR Parliament

15.00-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.45

Panel III. Parliaments and Political Parties

Chair: Suzanne S. Schüttemeyer (University Halle-Wittenberg)

Discussant: Petra Guasti (IS AS CR)

1. Willumsen David (European University Institute): Parliamentarians & Representation: Attitudes towards Roles, Policy and Unity in Sweden, 1985 to 2006
2. Fritzsche Erik (University of Dresden): Party Unity in Evolving Parliamentary Democracies: The Impact of Democratic Competition and the Socialization of Representatives

19.00 Official dinner for paper givers, chairs and discussants hosted by the Institute of Sociology AS CR

Saturday, 15 October 2011

9.30-11.00

Panel IV. RECON –Representation and Institutional Make-up

Chair: Lord Christopher (ARENA, Univ. of Oslo):

Discussant: Buzogány Aron (German Research Institute for Public Administration Speyer)

1. Lord Christopher (ARENA, Univ. of Oslo): Representative Claims Making. Some theoretical and methodological reflections applied to European Parliamentary Debates.
2. Sigalas Manos (Vienna Institute for Advanced Studies): When Quantity Matters: Performance and Re-Election in the European Parliament.
3. Guasti Petra (Institute of Sociology, AS CR): Europeanisation of Parliaments in Central and Eastern Europe - Challenge or Asset to the Processes of Democratic Representation

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 13:00

Panel V. Changing Modes of Democratic Representation (1/2)

Chair: Petra Guasti (University of Mainz/IS AS CZ)

Discussant: William Crowther (University of North Carolina, Greensboro)

1. Yi Okyeon (Seoul National University and Univ. of Leiden): Representation vs. Legislative Accountability: Changing Roles and Functions of Parliament
2. Rommetvedt Hilmar (IRIS – University of Stavanger), Gunnar Thesen (IRIS), Peter Munk Christiansen (Aarhus University), and Asbjørn Sonne Nørgaard (University of Southern Denmark): Coping with Corporatism in Decline and the Revival of Parliament: Interest Group Lobbyism in Denmark and Norway, 1980-2005
3. Borchert Jens, Huelsken Claudia (University Frankfurt): Legislative Socialization and Democratic Representation: Comparing Two German State Legislatures

13.00– 14.00 Lunch

14.00 -15.30

Panel V. Changing Modes of Democratic Representation (2/2)

Chair: Zdenka Mansfeldová (IS AS CR)

Discussant: Werner Patzelt (University of Dresden)

4. Oscar W. Gabriel, Uwe Bollow, Mirjam Dageförde, Florian Rabuza (University of Stuttgart): The Impact of the Linkages between Citizens and Representatives on Political Trust in France and Germany
5. Sylvain Brouard, Eric Kerrouche, Elisa Deiss-Helbig (Centre Emile Durkheim – Sciences-Po Bordeaux): From Theory to Practice: Political Representation in France
6. Siefken Sven T. and Danny Schindler (University Halle-Wittenberg): Going Home” – Members of the German Bundestag Working their Constituencies

15.30 -16.00 Coffee break

16.00-17.00 RCLS Meeting

17.00-19.00 Free Program

19.00 Common Dinner